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MANY CLUBS REPRESENTED

RECIPROCITY DAY A SUCCESS
Sierra Madre Club Entertains With One of the Best Attended Sessions of the Year

Reciprocity Day held by the Sierra Madre Woman's club last Monday was one of the best attended events of the kind in the history of the Los Angeles District Federation. Nearly every club in the district was represented by one or more delegates, and representatives were present from the district, state and national organizations. The interchange of ideas and experiences of club work was profitable to hostesses and visitors alike.

Sessions were held both morning and afternoon, with a delicious luncheon served at noon by the ladies of the Sierra Madre club. The guests arrived on special cars at eleven o'clock and were welcomed by a reception committee consisting of Mrs. William J. Lawless, president of the club; Mmes. J. A. Osgood, L. C. Torrance, C. H. Baker, F. J. Hart and Miss Annis Coffey. The young ladies who acted as ushers and assisted in other ways were Mmes. Laws and Sawday. Misses Hazel Woodward, Mae Campbell, Anna Price, Simmons, Hallie Kuhn, Evelyn Rice and Helen Morrow.

Music was furnished during the luncheon hour and as a prelude to the afternoon program by the DeNobis orchestra of Los Angeles. The luncheon tables were prettily decorated with violets, jonquills and anemone blossoms.

Mrs. Frank N. Shiek, corresponding secretary of the General Federation, was honored guest, being accompanied by Mrs. Josiah Evans Cowles, vice-president of the same organization. Mrs. Shiek is honorary president of the Wyoming State Federation, but she is spending the winter in Long Beach and will make her permanent home in Southern California.

Mrs. J. A. Osgood, who gave an "Appreciation of Lincoln," Miss Mary Foy, who spoke of the necessity of training children in imagination, that they may be able to revivify and picture the historical events of past ages; Mrs. George Rice, who spoke for the Woman's Progressive League, and Mrs. Van Graham, president of the Alhambra Woman's Club, speaking for social centers, were also on the platform.

The afternoon was devoted to discussion of proposed ordinance for the tuberculosis testing of cattle. Mrs. Charles Farwell Edson, health department chairman of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, presided, and with Dr. G. H. Hart, city veterinarian, spoke for the ordinance. It was opposed by W. S. Rosecrans, president of the Milk Producers' Association, and Mr. Stephenson, head of the Gardena Dairymen's Association, speaking for the farmer.

The dairymen say the test is not sufficiently certain to warrant what they say would be a great financial loss, and they demand that the state or city, not the individual farmer, shall bear the cost of killing tuberculous cattle.

The question will be further discussed before a gathering of the club women and the public at a meeting of the Friday Morning Club House, February 27.

Among Those Present

Among members of the Los Angeles District Federation's executive board who were present were Mrs. Calvin

Hartwell, Mrs. H. J. Slater, Mrs. W. C. Mueset, Dr. Jessie A. Russell, Mrs. J. A. Barlow, Mrs. L. W. Harmon, Mrs. C. B. Nichols, Mrs. C. L. Torrence, Mrs. Foster Elliot, Mrs. E. B. Bohan, Mrs. Mary Cosman and Mrs. Mary Kenney. Mrs. Arthur E. Howlett of Michigan, Miss Shaw of Iowa, Mrs. C. B. Nichols of Los Angeles and Mrs. G. Smucker were also guests.

Los Angeles clubs were represented by: Averill Study Club, Mrs. B. F. Nance, Mrs. H. T. Johnson; Wednesday Morning Club, Mrs. F. E. Prior; Mrs. W. B. Tilley; Travel Club, Mrs. R. J. Wilcox, Mrs. J. H. B. Hebard and Mrs. J. P. Ellis; Ruskin Art Club, Mrs. J. A. Sinsabaugh, Miss Jones; Rosecrans Study Club, Mrs. G. B. Dexter; Reciprocity Club, Mrs. C. P. Wheat, Mrs. W. H. Eaton and Mrs. E. P. True; Matinee Musica, Mrs. Samuel A. Seaver, Mrs. Eugene E. Davis; Lyric, Miss Bridges; Council of Jewish Women, Mrs. Isadore Myers; Harmonia Club, Mrs. William Duffield, Miss Willy Smyser; Galpin Shakespeare, Mrs. J. T. Fitzgerald; Friday Morning Club, Mrs. C. E. Shattuck; Each and All Club, Mrs. R. W. R. Barnore, Mrs. Edward L. Haffl; Ebell, Mrs. E. C. Belows, Mrs. S. D. Brooks; Cosmos, Mrs. William Reeve, Mrs. Oscar Baer; Cliff Dwellings Association, Mrs. W. E. Riddle, Miss Rowland; Civics Association, Mrs. Rice; Badger Club, Mrs. Bohan.

Out of town clubs: Alhambra Woman's Club, Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Elliot and Miss Ora Stokes; Azusa W. C., Mrs. John K. Hill, Miss Galton; Pathfinders, Compton, Mrs. John B. Nichols, Miss Morrison, president; Downey Saturday Afternoon, Mrs. William Keller, Mrs. George W. Williamson; Twentieth Century, Eagle Rock, Mrs. Edw. Edwards; East Whittier, Mrs. A. T. Emory, Mrs. Wilson; El Monte Shakespeare, Mrs. George J. Chaisworth, Mrs. I. P. Baker; Gardena, Mrs. Stephenson, Mrs. W. Colclough, Mrs. J. Sherwood Campbell; Glendale Tuesday Afternoon, Mrs. C. J. Newcomb, Mrs. A. W. Tower; Glendora W. C., Mrs. Victor Wamsley, Miss McNair; Hollywood, Mrs. H. G. Benthman, Mrs. L. A. Newman; Irwindale Miscellany, Mrs. J. W. Heath, Mrs. A. Miller; Long Beach Ebell, Miss Thompson; Montevia, Mrs. Richard A. Vanderlas, Mrs. Emily Wheeler; Pasadena Study, Mrs. Josephine Holmes, Mrs. Holman; Pasadena Choral Club, Mrs. C. F. M. Stone, Mrs. H. F. Ives; Pasadena Graduate Nurses, Mrs. Janette F. Peterson, Miss Pollock; Pasadena Shakespeare, Miss Meeker, Mrs. Wilbur E. Sanders and Mrs. D. W. Gordon; Redondo W. C., Mr. Davis Forbes, Mrs. Arthur Harris; San Luis Obispo, Mrs. O. R. C. Grover; San Pedro W. C., Mrs. M. L. Campbell, Mrs. Kassebaum; Santa Monica Bay Woman's W. C., Mrs. S. J. Eggleston, Mrs. Frances M. Taft, Mrs. Jessica R. Clark, Mrs. Shaw; Sawtelle W. C., Mrs. W. W. Haske, Mrs. H. M. Merrill, Mrs. R. G. Putman; South Pasadena W. C. Improvement Association, Mrs. Frank Catter, Mrs. E. E. Thompson and Mrs. J. S. Dodge; South Pasadena Lincoln Park Study Club, Mrs. Herbert C. Barnes, Mrs. C. A. Adams and Miss Heron; Tropico Thursday Afternoon, Mrs. D. Griswold, Mrs. J. H. Webster and Mrs. M. McLean; Venice W. C., Mrs. Force Parker; Whittier, Mrs. Coulthurst, Mrs. Milhouse.

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Members of the Grand Army of the Republic will enjoy a supper and social evening at the home of Conrad and Mrs. McDaniel of Montecito avenue next Tuesday evening. All resident comrades and their wives are urged to attend, especially newcomers who may not have been called to the attention of the members. Supper will be served at seven o'clock sharp.

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KEEPING UP FIGHT

FOOTHILL TOWNS HAVE NOT GIVEN UP SECURING THE STATE HIGHWAY

Boosters of the foothill boulevard as the proper route of the California state highway between Los Angeles and San Bernardino do not propose to give up the fight until the matter is finally settled by the state highway commission which will determine the route. They do not propose to admit that the so-called valley route has received any indorsement save from residents along its line, despite the action of the highway convention which met in Los Angeles recently.

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MINSTREL ECHOES

FEED & FUN CLUB'S PERFORMANCE LEAVES EVERY ONE IN GOOD HUMOR

All who saw both performances of the Feed & Fun Club's minstrel entertainment agreed that Friday night's performance was about 400 per cent better than that of the first night. There was an improvement in the individual numbers and the whole program went off with more snap.

Miss Dorothy Warner of Hollywood added a delightful number to the Friday night program. This dainty Miss gave a fairlady fancy dance, with a splendid "sailor's hornpipe" as an encore.

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I.O.G.T. LODGE GROWS

YOUNG TEMPERANCE ORGANIZATION IS GAINING IN INTEREST AND MEMBERSHIP

The fourth regular meeting of Sierra Madre Lodge No. 62, Good Templars, held Saturday evening. The attendance while not as large as usual was fully as lively and interesting. Mr. and Mrs. O. McDaniel were elected members and by dispensation of the Grand Chief Templars were introduced and admitted by the Re-Admission ceremony. By this method all previous honors are retained. Both have held office under the Grand Lodge of Iowa. Mrs. McDaniel having received the International Degree at Des Moines in 1893, and spent many years in active work for the order. Mr. Steinberg was also received as a new member.

Converse L. Trycross, L. Mildred Herman and Royden O. Pool were elected lodge delegates to the District session at Lordsburg, Washington's birthday, February 22nd. Harold Hunt, Verna Tribble and Mrs. H. T. Leskey were chosen alternates. All the members of Sierra Madre lodge who take the District Degree are cordially invited to the district meeting at the Santa Fe train at Arcadia, 8 a. m. to Lordsburg, 8:50 a. m., buying single ticket. After the day and evening sessions all visitors will be provided with conveyances to the trolley cars leaving San Dimas or Glendale and reach home in good season. Lordsburg lodge will furnish luncheon and a good program of entertainment will be given all visitors.

Order good of the order at the last meeting a reading was given by Brother Harry Whiteley, chief templar of Terrill Lodge No. 299, Los Angeles; an essay by Chas. R. Burger on the Trials and Tribulations of a Bachelor's Life; remarks by Chief Templar Noble and reminiscences of Good Templary of the past by Sister O. McDaniel.

This week will witness a vigorous effort to secure new members in order to bring the present membership up to at least 50.

Next Saturday evening the following district lodge officers will be present to confer the degree. District Chief Templar Joshua S. Houlgate of Pasadena; Past District Chief Templar Robert Taylor of Tropico; District Secretary O. W. Blain, Hollywood; District Marshal H. Hixson, Lordsburg; District Electoral Supt. L. A. Swan, Los Angeles; District Treasurer L. R. Burger, Pasadena; Dist. Guard J. Sanders, Santa Monica.

Members of one month's standing are allowed to take the Second Degree out a dispensation has been obtained from the Grand Lodge and all those who are favorably recommended by Sierra Madre Lodge will be received on Saturday night in view of the approaching District Convention.

We want 100 members by the close of the next official quarter, May 1st.

Under good of the order next Saturday, students who have participated in the W. C. T. U. Essay Contests in the public schools will compete for a prize. As the work in the schools is a part of the English course and compulsory our younger members ought to provide brisk competition. The membership contest closes next Saturday when prizes will be awarded Curtis Flint leads.

SERVICES FOR LENT

ANNOUNCEMENTS SENT OUT BY THE RECTOR OF ASCENSION PARISH

Services for Quinquagesima Sunday at the Church of the Ascension will be as follows: Holy Communion, 7:30 a. m.; Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.; morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m.

Announcements for the Lenten season have been sent out by the rector, Rev. Dr. George H. Cornell, and contain the following notices:

Ash Wednesday, Feb. 21, 10 a. m.—Confidential service, address and Holy Communion.

There will be services on Fridays during Lent at 4:30 p. m., consisting of Litany and address.

Holy Week—Services daily except Saturday at 10 a. m.; Holy Communion a Holy Thursday at 10 a. m.

Easter Day, April 7th—Holy Communion 7:30 a. m.; Easter Festival of Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.; Sermon and Holy Communion, 11 a. m.; presentation of Easter offerings at this service.

Special Sermons—The Rector will deliver a series of special sermons on Sunday mornings during Lent on the general subject, "Women and the Gospel." A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Here came forth two she bears out of the wood, and tare forty and two children of them."

Two nights in succession Dale Bowen sang a ditty referring to "the finest whiskers in this place." The following night the city trustees passed the "weed ordinance." Next day Wynne Mead had his beard trimmed. Quod erat demonstrandum.

SHORTCUT TO STURTEVANT'S

J. M. Beard Who is to Operate Camp Will Run New Trail

By building about four and one-half miles of new trail J. M. Beard expects to shorten the journey to Sturtevant's Camp about two miles and avoid the grades which have made the journey seem longer than it really is now. Mr. Beard will operate the camp the coming season in addition to Orchard Camp at the half-way House on the Mt. Wilson Trail. By making Sturtevant's more accessible he expects to be able to attract a much larger patronage than has been possible in the past.

The new trail which Mr. Beard is having surveyed now will leave the present trail at a point very close to the top of what is commonly known as the "Hermits trail." It will take a nearly level course from that point until it reaches the bottom of the canyon. The rest of the distance the trail will follow near the bed of the stream by easy grades all the way to Sturtevant's Camp.

The new route, says Mr. Beard, will avoid the ascent and descent which are made when going in either direction this side of Winter Creek and will also avoid the Mt. Zion climb, the worst on the whole trail. The ups and downs of the present trail make it necessary to do as much actual climbing in going to Sturtevant's as in going to Mt. Wilson, although the trail at no point reaches an altitude much more than half that of Mt. Wilson. The change in the trail will doubtless be welcomed by hikers bound for the West Fork of the San Gabriel by way of the Sturtevant trail.

TRAVEL TALK TONIGHT

Interesting Illustrated Address on Italian Cities and Art

Miss VanKirk, a talented lecturer, will give a free illustrated address at the club house this evening. Her subject will be "Italy and Florentine Art." More than 100 fine stereopticon views will be shown and the address will undoubtedly be one of the most interesting in the club's series of free entertainments.



A SPLENDID HAZARD

By HAROLD MacGRATH

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SYNOPSIS

In Paris Fitzgerald meets Karl Breitmann, a mysterious adventurer, and sees a beautiful American girl, who interests him. Breitmann dreams of securing 2,000,000 francs.

Perraud, a French detective and butterfly collector, is shadowing Breitmann for France, whose safety he imperils. Germany is also interested in Breitmann. In New York Fitzgerald meets Cathewe.

Fitzgerald on a wager poses as an Italian vendor of plaster statues. A beautiful young woman asks him to call at a house in Dalton. The house is owned by Admiral Kilgrew.

The policeman turned to his crossing and reassumed his authority over traffic, all the while never losing sight of the impromptu vender.

Many pedestrians paused. To see a well dressed young man hawking plaster Venuses was no ordinary sight. They knew that some play was going on, but with that inveterate suspicion of the city pedestrian none of them stopped to speak or buy. Some newsboys gathered round and offered a few suggestions. Fitzgerald gave them back in kind.

Once he turned to see if his friends were still watching him. They were, two among many, for the exploit had gone round, and there were other wagers being laid on the result. While his head was turned and his grin was directed at the club window a hand, some young woman in blue came along. She paused, touched her lips with her gloved hand meditatively and then went right about face swiftly. Some one in the window motioned frantically to the vender, but he did not understand. Ten minutes left in which to win his bet. He hadn't! The made a very good bargain. Hm! The young woman in blue was stopping. Her exquisite face was perfectly serious as the tray they were all done eagerly, something Fitzgerald hadn't noticed before.

"How much are these apiece?"

"Er—25 cents, ma'am," he stammered. As a matter of fact he hadn't any idea what the current price list was. "You seem very well dressed," doubtfully, "and you do not look hungry."

"I am doing this for charity's sake."

WEEDS MUST BE TRIMMED

NUISANCE MUST BE ABATED

Trustees Pass Ordinance Designed to Compel Cleaning Up of Unsightly Property

The weed ordinance has at last been presented to the city trustees and passed. Property owners must now, according to its terms, keep their ground free from the weeds which make a nuisance of so many vacant lots or have the work done by the city and taxed up against the property. The ordinance was passed at last Saturday night's meeting of the board.

The new salary ordinance was also passed at that meeting. It advances the salary of the clerk and assessor to \$60 monthly and that of the marshal and tax collector to \$35 monthly. The latter will receive in addition 2 per cent on all tax and license money collected.

The treasurer will receive the fixed sum of \$25 monthly. All salaries are to be paid by warrant. They will take effect following the coming election.

Last night's meeting of the trustees resulted in very little aside from routine matters and long discussions. The "anti-chicken" petition did not come up for consideration, consequently the feathers did not fly as had been anticipated.

BOARD OF TRADE BANQUET

Chairman Ballou of the Board of Trade entertainment committee is actively at work on plans for the annual banquet which will be held on the evening of March 7. The affair will be held at the Woman's Club house and the dinner will be served by the ladies of the club. No further guarantee of quality is needed so far as the menu and service are concerned. Tickets will be sold at \$1.25, a price which is lower than that charged for similar events in most places, and which should be within the reach of every one. Good speakers will be provided and a rousing time is assured. Further announcements will be made soon.

Sierra Madre Directory

CITY GOVERNMENT

TRUSTEES—C. W. Jones, Chairman; J. J. Graham, N. H. Hosmer, J. C. Pegler, L. E. Steinberger, Clerk and Recorder, C. H. Perry, Treasurer, H. C. Lohmeyer, Bixby, Street Superintendent, N. H. Hosmer, Marshal and Tax Collector, A. M. Udell, Chairman Board of Health, Dr. R. H. Mockrass.

Trustees meet in City Hall on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 7:30 p. m.

BOARD OF TRADE

ORGANIZED to promote the civic and commercial development of Sierra Madre. Meets in City Hall on second Monday evening of each month at 8 p. m.

PUBLIC LIBRARY

SIERRA MADRE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY—Central avenue, W. of Lima. Open each weekday afternoon from 1:30 to 5:30 and on Monday, Thursday and Saturday evening from 7 to 9 o'clock. Mrs. F. B. Wheatley, Librarian. Municipal Library Board—George B. Morridge, Chairman; H. J. Potter, Mrs. E. T. Pierce, W. S. Andrews, J. A. Osgood.

CHURCHES

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL—Central avenue, at Hermosa. Rev. James M. Campbell, D. D., pastor. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; morning service, 11 a. m.; Christian Endeavor Society, 6:45 p. m.; evening service, 7:30 p. m.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION (Episcopal)—Dr. George H. Cornell, Rector. Resid. ne. The Rector. Phone Black 70. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.; Morning Prayer and sermon, 11 a. m.; Holy Communion first Sunday in the month, 11 a. m.; on the greater festival and other days by appointment, 7:30 a. m.; Sunday evening service from October to July, 7:30 p. m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC—Chapel on Highland avenue, east of Baldwin. Rev. M. W. Bath in charge. Services at 9 a. m. Sunday.

HOME OF TRUTH—493 Auburn Ave. Sunday service, 3:30 p. m. Bible lesson, Wednesday, 3 p. m. Healing meeting, Friday, 8 p. m. All are welcome.

FRATERNAL

SIERRA MADRE LODGE, No. 468, F. & A. M.—Stated meeting first Tuesday in each month. All visiting Masons welcome. Club House, Hall, M. E. Bridge, W. M. J. D. Mackerras, Secretary.

SIERRA MADRE CHAPTER, O. E. S. Meets the first and third Mondays of each month in Woman's Club House Hall at 8 p. m. Visiting members welcome. Mrs. Frank Biederman, W. M. Mrs. Cabot Yerxa, Secretary.

SIERRA MADRE POST OFFICE

Mail Arrives
From the East—9 a. m.; 10 a. m.; 3:30 p. m.; 6 p. m.
From the West—9 a. m.; 3:30 p. m.; 6 p. m.

Mail Departs
For the East—7:40 a. m.; 11:30 a. m.; 2:15 p. m.; 4:30 p. m.
For the West—7:40 a. m.; 11:30 a. m.; 4:30 p. m.

Post Office Hours
Delivery—7:20 a. m. to 6:40 p. m. Lobby open till 8 p. m. Lobby open Sundays from 8 a. m. to 4 p. m.

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Brief Items of Interest

William Wright is in La Jolla this week visiting friends.
W. C. Davis has gone to Imperial Valley on a fortnight's business trip.

The L. I. C. society were entertained at the home of Mrs. W. E. Walker on Thursday.

Miss Katherine Torrance spent the week end in Santa Monica as the guest of Miss Nebeker.

Miss Helen Morrow of Los Angeles was a week end guest at the home of Mrs. W. H. Ingraham.

Mrs. George H. Cornell and Miss E. D. Williams spent Tuesday in Glendale as the guests of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Mitchell leave today for San Francisco where they will remain three or four weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hogue of Ventura were week end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Torrance.

Mrs. Clarence B. Penn of Los Angeles was a week end guest at the home of Mrs. L. M. Rice of Auburn avenue.

Lieut. W. S. Gleason who has just returned from the Philippines is a guest at the home of Mrs. J. T. Mason.

Miss Jean Craig is spending the week in Pasadena as a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Macdonnell.

Mrs. Ellen Pratt and Miss Weeks of Los Angeles were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Adams this week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Braddus and children of San Cruces, Texas, were week end guests at the home of Mrs. S. C. Davis.

Misses Edna and Julia Wyman of Los Angeles have rented the Schlicht cottage on Sunnyside avenue for several months.

Mrs. Maude Pearson has purchased the cottage on Windsor Lane recently occupied by J. L. Hassinger and will move into it at once.

Mrs. Dwight Griswold, president of the Thursday Afternoon Club of Tropic, was the guest of Mrs. E. I. Merrell the first of the week.

Miss Grace Phelps, physical director at Custer avenue and Fourteenth street intermediate schools was the week end guest of Miss Clarice Merrell.

Marshal Wright attended a dinner at the home of John Bartlett of Pasadena, followed by a dancing party at the Shakespear Club house, last Friday evening.

Charles C. Mangold and family who have been occupying their cottage on Grand View avenue for some time have returned to their home in Redondo Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Edwards and Donald C. Ashmore who have been occupying the Rice bungalow on North Baldwin have moved into their new bungalow on East Central.

Rev. Hugh C. Griffith of the Anti-Saloon League will speak in the Congregational Church next Sunday evening.

The pastor, Dr. Campbell, will occupy the pulpit for the morning service.

The Young Women's Problem Club, which consists of Mr. A. S. Mead's class of young ladies at the Congregational Sunday school, enjoyed a social evening at the home of Miss Jessie Ward Thursday.

Mrs. George F. Cope of Los Angeles was a week end guest at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. R. Allen. Mrs. Cope recently returned from a three months' trip to the Orient, visiting many places of interest in China, Japan, and the Philippine Islands.

Miss Bonnie Rockhold who has been a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Adams returned home on Thursday. She was accompanied by Mrs. Adams and the baby who will visit at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Rockhold of Riverside.

Mrs. C. H. Baker entertained a few friends with a Valentine luncheon at her home on Tuesday. The guests were Mrs. R. H. Baker, Mrs. Frank Baker, Mrs. A. R. Eastman of Los Angeles, and Mrs. Thorstenberg of Jamestown, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Yerxa entertained with a delightful family dinner party at "Bonita Vista Ranch," Monday evening. The event was in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Yerxa of Minneapolis who are guests at the home of the former's parents, and also in celebration of the sixth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Roseberry of Los Angeles. Mrs. Roseberry being a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Yerxa. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Duff of Oneonta Park; Dr. and Mrs. Charles Yerxa of Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest L. Yerxa of Sierra Madre.

Miss Stella Morris, whose marriage to Mr. William Dennison will take place next week, was the recipient of a "miscellaneous shower" at the home of Mrs. M. D. Welsher on St. Valentine's Day. The house was gaily decorated, festoons of pink and white hearts being suspended about the rooms, and the same idea was carried out in the refreshments. The bride elect received a large number of useful and handsome presents, which were presented in a large basket and the guests enjoyed watching the opening of the numerous packages. The guests included Meses. Staples, C. A. Yerxa, J. J. Hart, Walker, Cook, Keys, Brooks, Goodfellow, Norris, Ward, Tarr, Caley, Sawday, Betts, Steinberger, Lawless, W. S. Andrews, Dickson, Lockhart, Collins, Crisp, Patterson, Baird, Misses Norris, Florence Vannier, Tribble, Anderson, Dickson, Cook, Jones, Campbell, Emily Brugman, Vena Brugman, Hilda Caley, Maybelle Caley, Hill, Ward, Cora, Mattie and Marian Seeley, Powell, Evelyn Rice, Marjorie Rice.

Roy Emery of Hollywood, spent the week end in Sierra Madre.

Mrs. A. D. Hawks had as guests this week Mr. and Mrs. Hassitt of St. Louis.

Mrs. Holland of Los Angeles is a guest at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Jones.

Mrs. C. B. Green is spending the week end at the home of Mrs. T. Gardner of Pasadena.

The Modern Priscillas were entertained at the home of Miss Gertrude Cook Thursday afternoon.

Herbert Peterson of Los Angeles spent Sunday and Monday at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Howard Hill.

Mrs. A. E. Kirk, Miss Kora Kirk and Miss Ptolemy of Ocean Park spent Tuesday visiting Sierra Madre friends.

Miss Anne J. Rowland of Westgate, Santa Monica, was a guest at the home of Mrs. J. A. Osgood on Monday.

Mrs. Boaler who has been spending the past month in Hollywood has returned to the home of her sister, Mrs. A. D. Hawks.

Dr. Thomas McKenzie of the Los Angeles college of Osteopathy spent Sunday with his aunt, Mrs. E. I. Merrell.

The philanthropy committee of the Woman's Club was entertained at the home of Mrs. G. Hallett Johnson, on Wednesday.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gresham of Alameda will be interested to learn of the arrival of a daughter, born February 5th.

Mr. John H. Osgood and his daughter of Bakersfield, were guests at the home of his parents, Captain and Mrs. J. A. Osgood, this week.

Mrs. W. E. Walker, Mrs. L. C. Torrance and Mrs. W. S. Andrews were uncheon guests at the home of Mrs. Frank Wright Tuesday.

Mrs. Howard Hill and Miss Hazel Hill have gone to Los Angeles for a short visit, and will be absent from Sierra Madre about a month.

Mrs. Samuel Thorstenberg of Jamestown, N. Y., and Mrs. A. R. Eastman of Los Angeles have been guests at the home of Mrs. C. H. Baker this week.

Mrs. Pearson and son who have been occupying a cottage on Auburn avenue near Central for the past month left Tuesday for her home in Victoria, B. C., making the trip by boat.

Mrs. Robert J. Kerr of Los Angeles, who has recently returned from a bridal trip of several months through Europe, was a guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. R. Allen, last week.

Mrs. J. T. Mason and daughters had as luncheon guests on Wednesday Mrs. L. O. Swope and daughter of Kansas City, Mrs. C. Froeding of San Francisco, and Mrs. C. A. Moses of Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Macdonnell of Pasadena were guests at the home of Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Mackerras last week. Mr. Macdonnell being one of the participants in the Society Minstrel entertainment.

Rev. Charles Coke Woods, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Whittier, spent Tuesday with Rev. Dr. James M. Campbell. Rev. Woods is a writer of some note, being the author of a volume of poems entitled "The Harp of the Heart."

Grandpa W. H. Scott has received from Mill Valley, California, a card inscribed: "Call on Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Scott and see the baby boy I left on the 3rd of February. Name, Frank Theodore Scott, Junior. Weight 10 pounds. (Signed) Stork, M. D."

Rev. James M. Campbell, D. D., was the recipient of an invitation which carried with it something of a compliment. He was invited to occupy the pulpit of the First Methodist Church of Salt Lake City during the absence of the pastor, Dr. Short, on a European trip. Circumstances connected with the closing of Dr. Campbell's pastorate in Sierra Madre prevent the acceptance of the invitation.

The Ladies' Missionary Society of the Congregational Church held a meeting at the home of Mrs. E. Wood Davis on Bonita avenue Tuesday afternoon. A good attendance was present to enjoy a program on Japan. Light refreshments were served and officers were elected as follows: Mrs. E. Wood Davis, president; Mrs. Emmerson, vice president; Mrs. A. N. Adams, secretary; Mrs. W. A. Evans, treasurer.

The Audubon Society will meet next Monday afternoon at three o'clock at the home of Mrs. J. A. Osgood, West Montecito avenue.

Las Auxiliadoras de Sierra Madre will hold their next meeting at the home of Mrs. G. Hallett Johnson on Friday, February 23, instead of on Thursday, the regular date.

COLONIAL DANCING PARTY
On Friday evening of next week the annual colonial dancing party of the Woman's club will be given in the club house. Many of the guests will appear in colonial costume and powdered hair. The hosts and hostesses who will receive the guests are Captain and Mrs. J. A. Osgood, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Copps, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Patterson, Mrs. Davis Goodfellow and Mrs. Amelia Churchill. Dancing will begin promptly at 8:15 o'clock.GOODYEAR SEWING MACHINE
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SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Thompson Celebrate With Assistance of Friends

Sixty years of happy wedded life have been the lot of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Thompson of Suffolk avenue. On Monday they were assisted in celebrating the sixtieth anniversary of their marriage, by a large number of relatives and friends.

The circumstances surrounding the wedding and its anniversary were strikingly different. Mr. Thompson, then a resident of Clarence, N. Y., drove several miles through a snowstorm to claim his bride. For the past fourteen years they have been residents of Sierra Madre. Their sixtieth anniversary fell on one of the balmy winter days of this gentle climate. Friends and relatives invited to participate in the festivities of the happy occasion were: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eldred, Fred and Delos Eldred; Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Harrigan, Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Parker, Helen, Orlando and Florence Parker; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Veltch, Los Angeles; Mr. L. E. Holland, Michigan; Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Parker, Mr. G. A. Raynor, Ocean Park; Mrs. Bettie Taylor, Mrs. Blanch McCreary, Donald McCreary, Miss Kate Dony, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Chase, Pasadena; Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bernhard, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Dossinger, Mr. Henry Long, Ontario; Miss Nellie Tucker, Mrs. A. M. Carey, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. C. Bodine, Lester Day and Bernard Bodine, Sierra Madre.

FLOWER SHOW PLANS

Some general plans have been completed for the annual Flower Show to be held in April. A tent room equal in floor space to the Auditorium will be erected in front of the club house, and will be used, with the porches and lobby for the principal exhibits. The general arrangement of exhibits which was so attractive last year will be followed. It is planned to have the auditorium decorated and utilized for entertainment and social features, and during the three afternoons and evenings of the exhibit, various entertainments will be provided.

Season tickets to the Flower Show and entertainments will be sold for a dollar and a half. The affair will be financed by the sale of subscriptions or memberships at five dollars each, and each membership will include one non-transferable season ticket. If the business men and residents of Sierra Madre demonstrate their desire to have the Flower Show by subscribing generously to the funds, the women of the club are ready to proceed with the work.

The executive committee will consist of one member of the city trustees, two members of the Board of Trade, and Mrs. W. J. Lawless and Mrs. L. E. Steinberger of the Woman's club. A large general committee will assist.

Mrs. L. Dietz who will have charge of a commercial booth would like donations of dahlia bulbs and chrysanthemum plants, and to have vegetable and flower seeds planted now for little plants to sell.

The Theaters

Grand

For the first time on any stage "The Girl And the Boy," a new musical comedy by Walter De Leon, will be presented at the Grand Opera house next week. "The Girl And the Boy" is the second effort of Mr. De Leon. That it will prove even a greater success than was his initial musical play, "The Campus," is the statement made by critics who have been privileged to witness some of the rehearsals during the past two weeks. As in "The Campus" Mr. De Leon has departed from the beaten path in writing "The Boy And the Girl." He has imparted in the plot the very essence of the spirit of youth, writing a story which is complete in every detail and logical in sequence and climax. The music is bright and pleasing and written in Mr. De Leon's best style. There are fifteen big musical numbers in the two acts of "The Girl And the Boy" and each number is bound to find popular favor. The scenes of the play are laid at a summer resort at the seashore. This gives some idea of character of the scenic investiture and the costuming which will be in the brightest of colors.

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ORDINANCE NO. 152

An Ordinance of the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre, Fixing Compensation, Salaries and Amount of Official Bonds to be Given by Certain City Officials, and Repealing Ordinances Nos. 3 and 61 of Said City.

The Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre do ordain as follows: SECTION 1. The salary of the City Clerk and Assessor is hereby fixed at the sum of Sixty Dollars per month.

SECTION 2. The salary of the City Treasurer is hereby fixed at the sum of Twenty-five Dollars per month.

SECTION 3. The salary and compensation of the City Marshal and Tax Collector is hereby fixed at the sum of Thirty-five Dollars per month, and the

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SECTION 4. The salaries hereby fixed shall be in full compensation for all services rendered by the officials herein named, and shall be payable by warrants drawn upon the City Treasurer, and paid by him in the same manner that other warrants are paid.

SECTION 5. Each of the officials herein named shall, on entering upon their respective duties, execute a bond payable to the city, conditioned for the faithful performance of their respective duties, in the following penal sums to-wit:

The City Clerk and Assessor in the sum of Twenty-five Hundred Dollars.

The City Treasurer in the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars.

The City Marshal and Tax Collector in the sum of Three Thousand Dollars.

SECTION 6. Ordinances Nos. 3 and 61 of the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre are hereby repealed.

SECTION 7. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this ordinance, and shall cause the same to be published once in The Sierra Madre News, a weekly newspaper published and circulated in said City of Sierra Madre, and hereby designated for that purpose.

The foregoing ordinance was adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre, held on the 10th day of February, 1912, by the affirmative vote of at least three trustees, to-wit:

Ayes: Trustees Graham, Hosmer, Pegler, Steinberger and Jones.

Noes: None.
Absent: None.

Signed and approved this 10th day of February, 1912.

C. W. JONES,
President of the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre.C. H. PERRY,
City Clerk.

(Seal)

ORDINANCE NO. 153

An Ordinance of the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre Requiring the Removal of Inflammable Weeds From Property in the City of Sierra Madre.

The Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre do ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. All persons, firms or corporations owning real property in the City of Sierra Madre are required to keep said property free from inflammable weeds.

SECTION 2. Any inflammable weeds in the City of Sierra Madre are declared to be a nuisance.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of the Superintendent of Streets to notify the occupants and owners of any premises in the City of Sierra Madre to eradicate and remove, within one week from the receipt of such notice, all inflammable weeds from property they own or occupy in said city, and that upon failure to do so within one week the city will cause said weeds to be removed at the expense of the owner. Such notice shall be in writing, addressed to the owner, and shall be served personally upon the occupant and upon the owner; or if the owner is a non-resident of the City of Sierra Madre, by serving the occupant personally, and by mailing to the owner a like notice, by registered mail, at his last known address as shown by the assessment roll; or if no address appears thereon, it shall be addressed and mailed to him at the City of Sierra Madre; or if there is no occupant, by posting the notice in a conspicuous place upon each lot

or legal subdivision of the premises, and serving it upon the owner as herein provided.

SECTION 4. At the expiration of one week from the sending or serving of said notice, if the weeds are not removed from said property, the Superintendent of Streets shall report the delinquency to the Board of Trustees, with an estimate of the probable cost of doing the work. The Board of Trustees may then order the Superintendent of Streets to do said work at the expense of the owner of the property, and provide for temporary payment of the same with city funds; provided, that the Board may, in its discretion, extend the time within which the work shall be done.

SECTION 5. At the completion of the work the Superintendent of Streets must prepare a statement of the proceedings, reciting the existence of the nuisance, a description of the property, the names of the owner and occupant, if known, the giving of the notice, the hearing by the Board of Trustees, the making of the order by the Board, the doing of the work and the cost thereof; which statement must be signed and verified by the Superintendent of Streets, and filed in his office. The Superintendent of Streets shall then collect said amount from the owner of the property by suit or otherwise, making said charge a lien upon the property by attachment or other levy.

SECTION 6. Any person, firm or corporation failing to remove inflammable weeds from his or its property after notice as provided herein, shall be subject to a penalty of ten dollars, in addition to the cost of cleaning said property, and the Superintendent of Streets shall cause suit to be brought to collect the same; provided, the collection of said penalty shall not be a bar to criminal prosecution for the same offense.

SECTION 7. Failure to keep property free from weeds as provided in section one of this ordinance shall be a violation hereof, and is hereby declared to be a misdemeanor; and for every lot from which inflammable weeds are not eradicated and removed after notice as provided in section three hereof, there shall be counted a separate violation of this ordinance, and that or any other violation hereof shall constitute a misdemeanor; and any person violating the same or any part thereof shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished by a fine not exceeding Fifty Dollars, or by imprisonment for a period not exceeding fifty days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 8. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance, and shall cause it to be published once in the Sierra Madre News, a weekly newspaper published and circulated in said City of Sierra Madre, California.

The foregoing ordinance was adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre, held on the 10th day of February, 1912, by the affirmative vote of at least three trustees, to-wit:

Ayes: Trustees Graham, Hosmer, Pegler, Steinberger and Jones.

Noes: None.
Absent: None.

Signed and approved this 10th day of February, 1912.

C. W. JONES,
President of the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre.C. H. PERRY,
City Clerk.

(Seal)

A SPLENDID HAZARD

By
HAROLD MacGRATH

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Come to the house at the top of the hill in Dalton tomorrow night at 8 o'clock. But do not come if you lack courage.

That was all. Cathewe ran a finger, comb fashion, through his mustache. He almost smiled.

"Where the deuce is Dalton?" Fitzgerald inquired.

"It is a little village on the New Jersey coast; not more than forty houses, postoffice, hotel and general store; perhaps an hour out of town."

"What would you do in my place? It may be a joke, and then again it may not. She knew that I was a rank impostor."

"But she knew that a man must have a certain kind of daredevil courage to play the game you played. Well, you ask me what I should do in your place. I'd go."

"I shall. It will double discount fishing. And the more I think of it, the more certain it becomes that she and I have met somewhere. By-by!"

Cathewe lingered in the reading room, pondering. Here was a twist to the wager he was rather unprepared for, and if the truth must be told, he



SHE TOOK OUT A CARD AND LAID IT ON THE TRAY

was far more perplexed than Fitzgerald. He knew the girl, but he did not know and could not imagine what purpose she had in aiding Fitzgerald to win his wager or luring him out to an obscure village in this detective story manner.

"Well, I shall hear all about it from her father," he concluded.

And all in good time he did.

CHAPTER IV.

PIRATES AND PRIVATE SECRETARIES.

It was a little station made gloomy by a single light. Once in so often a fast train stopped. If properly flagged, Fitzgerald, feeling wholly unromantic, now that he had arrived, dropped his handbag on the damp platform and took his bearings. It was after sundown. The sea, but a few yards away, was a murmur of heaving blackness, save where here and there a wave broke. The wind was chill, and there was the hint of a storm coming down from the northeast.

"Any hotel in this place?" he asked of the ticket agent, the telegraph operator and the baggage man, who was pushing a crate of vegetables off a truck.

"Swan's hotel; only one."

"Do people sleep and eat there?"

"If they have good digestions."

"Much obliged. Is there a house hereabouts called the top of the hill?"

"Come over here," said the agent. "See that hill back there, quarter of a mile above the village; those three lights? Well, that's it. They usually have a carriage down here when they're expecting any one."

"Who owns it?"

"Old Admiral Killigrew. Didn't you know it?"

"Oh, Admiral Killigrew; yes, of course. I'm not a guest. Just going up there on business. Worth about ten millions, isn't he?"

"That and more. There's his yacht in the harbor. Oh, he could burn up the village, pay the insurance, and not even knock down the quality of his cigars. He's the best old chap out. None of your red faced, yo-hoing, growling, sendogs; just a kindly, generous old sailor, with only one bee in his bonnet."

"What sort of bee?"

"Pirates!" in a ghostly whisper.

"Pirates? Oh, say, now!" with a protest.

"Straight as a die. He's got the finest library on piracy in the world, everything from the 'Pirates of Penzance' to 'The Life of Morgan'."

"But there's no pirate about these days."

"Not on the high seas, no. It's just the old man's pastime. Every so often, he coals up the yacht, which is a seventeen-knotter, and goes off to the south seas, hunting for treasures."

"By George!" Fitzgerald whistled softly. "Has he ever found any?"

"Not so much as a postage stamp, so far as I know. Money's always been in the family, and his Wall street friends have shown him how to double what he has, from time to time. Just for the sport of the thing some old fellows go in for crockery, some for pictures, and some for horses. The admiral just hunts treasures. Half-past 6; you'll excuse me. There'll be some train dispatches in a minute."

Fitzgerald gave him a good cigar, took up his bag, and started off for the main street; and once there he remembered with chagrin that he had not asked the agent the most important thing of all: Had the admiral a daughter?

Well, at 8 o'clock he would learn all about that. Pirates! It would be as good as a play. But where did he come in? And why was courage necessary? His interest found new life.

Swan's hotel was one of those nondescript buildings of wood which are not worth more than a three line paragraph even when they burn down.

The landlord himself lifted Fitzgerald's bag to the counter.

"A room for the night and supper, right away."

"Here, Jimmy," called the landlord to a growing, lumbering boy, "take this satchel up to No. 5."

The boy went his way, eyeing the labels respectfully and with some awe. This was the third of its kind he had ported upstairs in the past twenty-four hours.

Fitzgerald cast an idle glance at the loungers. There were half a dozen of them, some of them playing cards and some displaying talent on a pool table, badly worn and beer stained. There was nothing distinctive about any of them excepting the little man who was reading an evening paper, and the only distinctive thing about him was a pair of bright eyes. Behind their gold rimmed spectacles they did not waver under Fitzgerald's scrutiny. So the latter dismissed the room and its company from his mind and proceeded into dinner. As he was late he dined alone on mildly warm chicken, greasy potatoes and muddy coffee. He was used often to worse fare than this, and no complaint was even thought of. After he had changed his linen he took the road to the house at the top of the hill. Now, then, what sort of an affair was this going to be, such as would bend a girl of her bearing to speak to him on the street? Moreover, at a moment when he was playing a grownup child's game? It could not be a joke. Women never rise to such extravagant heights. Pirates and treasures! He wouldn't have been surprised at all had Old Long John Silver hobbled out from behind any one of those vine grown fences and demanded his purse.

The street was dim, and more than once he stumbled over a loose board in the wooden walk. If the admiral had been the right kind of philanthropist he would have furnished stone. But, then, it was one thing to give a country town something and another to force the town council into accepting it. The lampposts, also, of wood, stood irregularly apart, often less than a hundred feet, and sometimes more, lighting nothing but their immediate vicinity. Fitzgerald could see the lamps plainly, but could separate none of the objects round or beneath. That is why he did not see the face of the man who passed him in a hurry. He never forgot a face if it were a man's. His only difficulty was in placing it at once.

Fitzgerald tramped on cheerfully. It was not an unpleasant climb, only dark. The millionaire's home seemed to grow up out of a fine park. There was a great iron fence inclosing the grounds, and the lights on top of the gates set the dull red trunks of the pines aglowing. There were no lights shining in the windows of the pretty lodge. Still, the pedestrians' gate was ajar. He passed in, fully expecting to be greeted by the growl of a dog. Instead he heard mysterious footsteps on the gravel. He listened. Some one was running.

"Hello, there!" he called.

No answer. The sound ceased. The runner had evidently taken to the silent going of the turf. Fitzgerald came to a stand. Should he go on or return to the hotel? Whoever was running had no right here. Fitzgerald rarely carried arms, at least in civilized countries. A stout cane was the best weapon for general purposes. He swung this lightly.

"I am going on. I should like to see the library."

He was not overfond of unknown dangers in the night, but he possessed a keen ear and a sharp pair of eyes, being a good hunter. A poacher, possibly. At any rate, he determined to go forward and ring the bell.

Both the park and the house were old. Some of those well trimmed pines had scored easily a hundred and fifty years, and the oak standing before the house and dividing the view into halves was older still. No iron deer or marble lion marred the lawn which he was now traversing. A sign of good taste. Gardeners had been at work here, men who knew their business thoroughly. He breathed the odor of trampled pine needles mingled with the harsher essence of the sea. It was tonic.

In summer the place would be beautiful. The house itself was built on severe and simple lines. It was quite apparent that in no time of its history had it been left to run down. The hall and lower left wing were lighted, but the inner blinds and curtains were drawn. He did not waste any time. It was exactly 8 o'clock when he stepped up to the door and pulled the ancient wire bell. At once he saw signs of life. The broad door

opened, and an English butler, having scrutinized his face, silently motioned him to be seated. The young man in search of an adventure selected the far end of the hall seat and dangled his hat. An English butler was a good beginning. Perhaps three minutes passed, then the door to the library opened and a young woman came out. Fitzgerald stood up. Yes, it was she.

"So you have come?" There was welcome neither in her tone nor face, nor was there the suggestion of any other sentiment.

"Yes, I am not sure that I gave you my name, Miss Killigrew." He was secretly confused over this enigmatical reception.

She nodded. She had been certain that, did he come at all, he would come in the knowledge of who she was.

"I am John Fitzgerald," he said. She thought for a space. "Are you the Mr. Fitzgerald who wrote the long article recently on the piracy in the Chinese seas?"

"Yes," full of wonder.

Interest began to stir her face. "It turns out, then, rather better than I expected. I can see that you are puzzled. I picked you out of many yesterday on impulse because you had the sang froid necessary to carry out your job to the end."

"I am glad that I am not here under false colors. What I did yesterday was, as you say, a jest. But, on the other hand, are you not playing me in kind? I have much curiosity."

"I shall proceed to allay it somewhat. This will be no jest. Did you come armed?"

"Oh, indeed, no!" smiling. She rather liked that. "I was wondering if you did not believe this to be some silly intrigue."

"I gave thought to but two things, that you were jesting or that you were in need of a gentleman as well as a man of courage. Tell me, what is the danger and why do you ask me if I am armed?" It occurred to him that her own charm and beauty might be the greatest danger he could possibly face. More and more grew the certainty that he had seen her somewhere in the past.

"Ah, if I only knew what the danger was! But that it exists I am positive. Within the past two weeks on odd nights there have been strange noises here and there about the house, especially in the chimney. My father, being slightly deaf, believes that these sounds are wholly imaginative on my part. This is the first spring in years we have resided here. It is really our summer home. I am not more than normally timorous. Some one we do not know enters the house at will. How or why I can't unravel. Nothing has ever disappeared, either money, jewels or silver, though I have laid many traps. There is the huge fireplace in the library, and my room is above. I have heard a tapping like some one hammering gently on stone. I have examined the bricks and so has my father, but neither of us has discovered anything. Three days ago I placed four thin on the flagstone before the fireplace. There were footprints in the morning—of rubber shoes. When I called in my father the maid had unfortunately cleaned the stone without observing anything. So my father still holds that I am subject to dreams. His secretary, whom he had for three years, has left him. The butler's and servants' quarters are in the rear of the other wing. They have never been disturbed."

"I am not a detective, Miss Killigrew," he remarked as she paused.

"No, but you seem to be a man of invention and good spirit. Will you help me?"

"In whatever way I can." His opinion at that moment perhaps agreed with that of her father. Still, a test could be of no harm. She was a charming young woman, and he was assured that beneath this present concern there was a lively, humorous disposition. He had a month for idleness, and why not play detective for a change? Then he recalled the trespasser in the park. By George, she might be right!

"Come, then, and I will present you to my father. His deafness is not so bad that one has to speak loudly. To speak distinctly will be simplest."

She thereupon conducted him into the library. His quick glance, thrown here and there absorbingly, convinced him that there were at least 5,000 volumes in the cases. He was glad to see that some of his old friends were here, too, and that the shelves were not wholly given over to piracy. What a hobby to follow! What adventures all within thirty square feet! And a shiver passed over his spine as he saw several tattered black flags hanging from the walls, the real articles, too, now faded to a rusty brown.

Behind a broad, flat mahogany desk, with a green shaded student lamp at his elbow, sat a bright cheeked, white haired man, writing. Fitzgerald instantly recognized him. Abruptly his gaze returned to the girl. Yes, now he knew. It was stupid of him not to have remembered at once. Why, it was she who had given the bunch of violets that day to the old veteran in Napoleon's tomb. To have remembered the father and to have forgotten the daughter!

"I was wondering where I had seen you," he said lowly.

"Where was that?"

"In Napoleon's tomb nearly a year ago. You gave an old French soldier a bouquet of violets. I was there."

"Were you?" As a matter of fact his face was absolutely new to her. "I am not very good at recalling faces. And in travelling one sees so many."

"That is true." Queer sort of girl not to show just a little more interest. The moment was not ordinary by any means. He was disappointed.

"Father!" she called in a clear, sweet

voice, for the admiral had not heard them enter.

At the call, he raised his head and took off his Mandarin spectacles. Like all sailors, he never had any trouble in seeing distances clearly. The difficulty lay in books, letters and small type.

"What is it, Laura?"

"This is Mr. Fitzgerald, the new secretary," she answered blandly.

"Aha! Bring a chair over and sit down. What did you say the name is, Laura?"

"Fitzgerald."

"Sit down, Mr. Fitzgerald," repeated the admiral cordially.

Fitzgerald desired but one thing—the privilege of laughter!

(Continued next week)

FOREST HOMESTEADS

That the forest service is a decidedly democratic institution was made plain in a statement given out today by Forest Supervisor R. H. Charlton of the Angeles National Forest.

Mr. Charlton says that no middle man is required in doing business between the service and the prospective user of the national forests. Not only is it cheaper for the applicant, but it results in a clearer understanding by the forest officers of what he wants and by the applicant of what he will be required to do.

This is especially true of prospective applicants under the forest Homestead Act. By dealing through a middle man they often get a wrong idea of the workings of the act and are misled into believing that the process of listing is a government certification of the agricultural value of the land. As a matter of fact many tracts on the desert side of the range have been listed on application largely because they have no value whatever for forest purposes and were originally included in the forest simply because to exclude them would have made a boundary too crooked to be practical.

The best way to find out how to secure any use or occupancy of national forest land is to go straight to the Supervisor whose office is in the federal building, Los Angeles. He will gladly give authoritative information about all the laws and regulations.

Every forest ranger has instructions to answer all questions fully and courteously. He cannot hunt up desirable tracts for any applicant because to do so would not only take him from his regular work but also subject him to a charge of playing favorites. But he will be glad to give full information to any inquirer about the territory under his charge—roads, trails, topography and resources. An applicant who applies through a middle man for a tract of national forest land which he has never seen is often very much disappointed.

NOTICE TO TEMPLARS

The fifth regular meeting of Sierra Madre Lodge No. 62, I. O. G. T., will convene Saturday evening promptly at 7:30. Let each member bring a candidate and we will initiate a large class and be able to report over 50 members at Lordsburg. The district lodge officers will be present and confer the district degree. An essay contest, open to all members of our lodge attending high or grammar schools, will prove a feature. Any temperance topic may be used. A handsome prize will be given for the most creditable article.

Yours in F. H. and C.

LOYD T. NOBLE,
Chief Templar.
VERNA TRIBBLE,
Secretary.

FORTY BELOW

The following bit of verse was sent down from Manitoba by a drug salesman who wanted his friends to know what had become of him in case he was frozen too stiff to write any more: Just pity the poor homesteader, who must suffer now a thing or two, as he rises from his bed at dawn and hastes his frosted garments on. His shivering frame, his finger blows that he may button up his clothes. And seeks to bathe—but nothing flows from the pitcher—the water's froze.

Then swears he just a little swear as he stumbles down the frosted stair. Down sinks upon his frosted knees And blows in vain an icy breeze. When he would start the kitchen fire—let makes no blaze, in haste and ire to get the kerosene he goes. But finds, alas, the oil is froze!

Dear, dear, 'twill drive a man to drink. He thinks a kindly nip or wink from the decanter might warm up. The inner man. He takes a cup. Onto the sideboard moves in haste. And turns the jug with care, lest waste ensue, and turns and turns—naught flows.

He finds again the liquor's froze!

Now see, with anger in his heart again he seeks the fire to start. He whittles shavings nice and fine And lays them in symmetric line. From out his pocket brings a match. Essays in vain to scratch and scratch: His stiffened fingers then he blows To warm—and finds his breath is froze!

He leaps into the air and seeks to swear—the frosty floor but squeaks. Though open wide his mouth, no word or sound or utterance can be heard. He waves his arms and stamps the floor.

And leaps and waves and stamps once more.

So wild his anger for he knows He cannot swear—his voice is froze!

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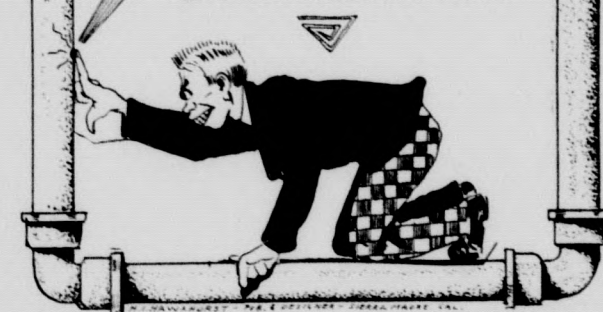
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BY THE WAY

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall. Humpty suffered a painful fall. Humpty just wouldn't get up again—He wanted to beat the insurance men.

Uncle Sam's weather bureau might be able to make a rain prophecy and deliver the goods by getting the judicial department to squeeze a little

water out of the corporation stocks.

Do you know what polyandry means? If you know, doesn't this injunction from The Arcadian sound like it: "Men of Arcadia! Ask your wife to register—she should!"

It takes all kinds of people to make a world. One man was peeved because he thought he was joshed too much at the recent minstrel show. Another man has been nursing a grouch because he thinks the amount of joshing he received was not in proportion to his importance in the community.

Considering their relative frequency the celebration of a 60th wedding anniversary ought to have about ten times the newspaper prominence accorded a divorce case. But for some reason the newspaper headline artists are apt to lose an opportunity to play up the unusual.

The acme of asininity in modern journalism was achieved the other day by a Los Angeles daily which printed a 120-point type across the top of its first page: "Attell Injury is Unimportant." The word "unimportant" carries sufficient condemnation of a newspaper style which would permit such an effort to attract attention. But after all perhaps the importance of the personage concerned is such as to warrant the big type to chronicle his unimportant injuries. Just glance back along the line of bold face type to the name. Whose name is it—the president of the United States, King George, the Pope? Not so. Listen reverently while we tell you who do not recognize the name, that he is a minor puglist!

All indications point to a highly interesting city election in April. If all the women in Sierra Madre register and vote the vote will be more than doubled. Just what will be the effect in any given contest is problematical. Timers of various slates and combinations are gaining currency but so far no definite lineup has appeared. It would be too bad to have an exciting election contest and any person barred from voting because they had not registered. To be on the safe side they should do so before the first of March, in other words, right away. Then they will be fixed for two years to come.

A. N. Carter would like to make the acquaintance of some despicable scoundrel who about Christmas time set down a choice pine tree at the entrance to Carter's Camp. The tree was a native of the San Bernardino mountains. It was about six feet high, having been planted about five years ago. Not only is the property on which it was growing privately owned but, like all other property lying adjacent to the base of the mountains, is protected by the forestry laws governing the reserve. A heavy penalty is attached to the destruction of trees in this territory. Probably the perpetrator of the deed is a relative of the persons who cut down a couple of young pine trees planted along the Sturtevant trail by the forestry department, apparently for Christmas tree purposes.

BOARD OF TRADE MEETING

Monday evening's session of the Board of Trade was largely attended and full of interest. Aside from the action taken on a number of specific things there was a large amount of profitable discussion on many subjects which cannot help bringing about better understanding among citizens upon subjects of importance.

The status of the foothill boulevard enterprise was explained by Messrs. C. W. Jones and George B. Morgridge, the former relating the work of the committee up to the convention of two weeks ago, and the latter telling of the action of the committee session in Los Angeles last Saturday night, which is reported elsewhere in this paper.

A. S. Mead was called on by President Tarr for a report on the Pasadena-Sierra Madre-Monrovia car line and gave a detailed report of the agi-

tation and recent visit of the railway officials to the proposed route.

Chairman E. F. Ballou of the entertainment committee reported that March 7 had been agreed upon as the date for the annual banquet and on his recommendation it was adopted. It was also voted to place the price of tickets at \$1.25 each.

C. W. Jones called attention to the fact that the present might be a good time to take up the matter of the joint use of poles by the various public service companies in Sierra Madre, as a means of reducing the number of unsightly poles in the city streets. The streets and roads committee, of which E. S. Mollenkopf is chairman, was instructed to take the matter up with the companies concerned.

A. S. Mead called attention to the number of fake advertising schemes constantly tried out upon local business men. After some discussion of the methods employed by the traveling "takers" it was voted that all business houses be requested to turn down solicitors for donations or advertising schemes which have not first secured the written indorsement of the advertising committee of the Board of Trade. Placards will be printed for posting in all stores and offices, giving such notice to solicitors.

Mr. Mead also called attention to the action taken some months ago urging that the citizens of Sierra Madre be given an opportunity to vote on the question of giving the city trustees some remuneration for their services. Opinion seemed to be unanimous that such action ought to be taken and a committee consisting of A. S. Mead, H. E. Bridges and H. G. Flint was appointed to draw up a resolution to be presented to the city trustees for enactment into the ordinance calling the approaching city election.

President Tarr announced the appointment of Messrs. J. D. Mackerras and F. D. R. Moote to represent the Board of Trade on the general Flower Festival committee, it being the intention of the Woman's Club to have on the committee two members of the club and one representative of the city trustees.

PUBLIC SCHOOL NOTES

Pupils Are Preparing for Entertainment to Be Given Next Week

Pupils and teachers are enthusiastically engaged in preparing the annual school entertainment to be given at the Woman's Club house Saturday evening, February 24. A cantata will be rendered introducing characters in costume from sixteen foreign lands. Folk dances and songs will be an interesting feature. The proceeds of the affair will be devoted to beautifying the school rooms.

Have you heard of the Junior Sierra Madre city government? It has been in operation nearly one month. Its jurisdiction has not been extended to regulate conduct in the school rooms but the boy guilty of profanity, bullying, or even throwing waste paper on street, school yard or patio is pretty sure to be quietly called before the school judge by the chief of police or one of his deputies and receive a warning, or perhaps a sentence to be executed by and with the approval of his teacher. Ordinances passed by the city council are subject to the veto of the principal who also acts as a court of appeal. The children are learning in a concrete manner the true object of government and something of the duty and privilege of citizenship in a democracy.

Two bookcases and a cabinet for curios are among the articles recently completed by boys in the manual training room and presented to the school.

The morning "setting up" exercises conducted by Mr. Mead before school on Mondays and Wednesdays are proving popular with the boys. About thirty vigorous lads are put through the drill exactly as the would get it in a military academy. No guns are to be used nor are they desired. The object being physical development not the cultivation of the military spirit in our boys.

VALENTINE SOCIAL

A Valentine Social will be given this (Friday) evening in the Christian Endeavor rooms of the Congregational Church, having been postponed from last evening. Every one is cordially invited.

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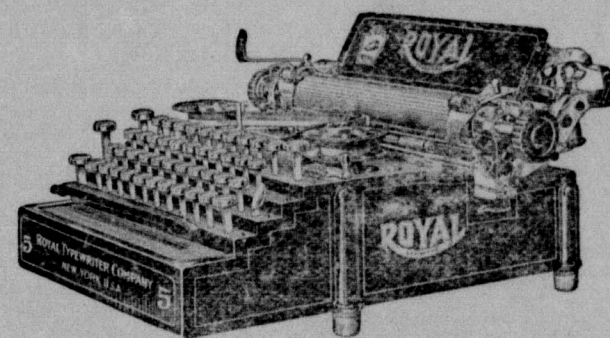
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